Appointment of District Munsiffs.

88. ❋ **MR. K. M. KRISHNAN** (*Ambalapuzha II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they are aware that the High Court has been adopting a communal rotation for the appointment of District Munsiffs from the Bar;

(*b*) if so, when it was first introduced; and

(*c*) to which community the next chance falls if the communal rotation is retained?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) 1105 M. E.

(*c*) Ezhava.

Excise Revenue in Muvattupuzha Taluk.

89. ❋**MR. K. M. KURIAKOSE** (*Muvattupuzha II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the amount of arrears of Excise Revenue to be collected from Muvattupuzha taluk, under Abkari at the close of 1111;

(*b*) the amount of arrears realised in the years 1109, 1110, 1111 in Muvattupuzha taluk, under Abkari by the Revenue Department;

(*c*) what is the minimum standard of financial stability that is required of a toddy shop contractor;

(*d*) who certifies to the stability of the toddy shop contractor; and

(*e*) what are the essential qualifications required of a toddy shop contractor?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Excise Commissioner*) (*a*) S. Rs. 94,417-16-6.

(*b*) The amounts collected were as follows:—

	Rs.	Ch.	C.
1109	53	1	8
1110	3,215	20	6
1111	838	24	8

(*c*) There is no minimum standard of financial stability fixed for an abkari contractor.

(*d*) The Proverthicars.

(*e*) The qualification prescribed for an abkari contractor is that he should not be subject to any of the disqualifications enumerated in Clause 4 of the sale notification.

MR. K. M. KURIAKOSE (*Muvattupuzha II*): With reference to part (*a*) may I know when and how these arrears accumulated?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Excise Commissioner*): The bulk of the arrears accumulated during the biennial contract 1106 and 1107.

PRESIDENT: Will the honourable member please raise his voice a little louder?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Excise Commissioner*): The bulk of the arrears accumulated during the contract for the years 1106 and 1107.

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